CHAPTER NO. 374

HOUSE BILL NO. 693

By Representatives Sherry Jones, Arriola, Lewis, Langster, Briley, Jackson, Brown, Brooks, Buck, Hagood, Newton, Hargett, Montgomery, Eckles, Hood, Dunn, Tindell, Black, Goins, Chumney, Kernell, Miller, Larry Turner, Pleasant, Todd, Pruitt, Fraley, Patton, Ford, Beavers, David Davis, Bittle, Ridgeway, Odom

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 716

By Senator Haynes, Person

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-301; Section 40-2-102 and Title 55, Chapter 50, relative to driver license fraud.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-2-102, is amended by inserting the language "and subsection (b) of this section" after the language "§62-18-120(g)"; by designating the existing language as subsection (a); and by adding the following language to be designated as subsection (b):
 - (b) Prosecutions under §39-16-301 for criminal impersonation accomplished through the use of a fraudulently obtained driver license shall be commenced within one (1) year of the date such driver license expires or within three (3) years of the date such non-expired driver license was last used to falsely impersonate the person in whose name the driver license was issued, whichever is longer.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-301(b), is amended by adding the following language at the end of the subsection:

Provided that, upon conviction under subsection (a), the maximum fine of five hundred dollars (\$500) for such offense shall be imposed if the criminal impersonation was committed to falsely obtain a driver license or photo identification license.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-321(e), is amended by deleting the second sentence in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

Such false attestation, knowingly made, is also punishable by suspension of the driver license of such person for two (2) years.

- SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-336, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:
 - () A photo identification license shall not be issued by the department to a person who has been issued a driver license which has not expired or which has not been revoked or suspended.
- SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 26, 1999

DIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14th day of June 1999

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